

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please amend claim 23 as follows.

Please cancel claims 5, 28, 29 and 37 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 38-42.

All amendments and cancellations to the claims are made without prejudice or disclaimer.

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. **(Previously presented)** An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising of a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:

(a) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 1 to 373 of SEQ ID NO:2;

(b) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 2 to 373 of SEQ ID NO:2;

(c) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 1 to 197 and 236 to 373 of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said amino acids 197 and 236 are joined by a peptide bond;

(d) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 1 to 288 and 336 to 373 of SEQ ID NO:2; wherein amino acids and 288 and 336 are joined by a peptide bond;

(e) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 1 to 197, amino acids 236 to 288, and amino acids to 336 to 373 of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said amino acids 197 and 236 are joined by a peptide bond, and said amino acids and 288 and 336 are joined by a peptide bond.

(f) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 1 to 187 of SEQ

ID NO:2;

(g) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 2 to 187 of SEQ

ID NO:2;

(h) a polynucleotide encoding the amino acids from 1 to 198 of SEQ

ID NO:2;

(i) the polynucleotide deposited as ATCC Accession No. PTA 89; and

(j) the polynucleotide complement of the polynucleotide of any one of the polynucleotides of (a)-(i).

2. **(Previously Presented)** An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising at least 700 contiguous nucleotides from the coding region of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein said coding region encodes SEQ ID NO:2.

Claims 3-5. **(Cancelled)**

6. **(Original)** A method of making a recombinant vector comprising inserting a nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 into a vector in operable linkage to a promoter.

7. **(Original)** A recombinant vector produced by the method of claim 6.

8. **(Original)** A method of making a recombinant host cell comprising introducing the recombinant vector of claim 7 into said host cell.

9. **(Original)** A recombinant host cell produced by the method of claim 8.

10. **(Original)** A recombinant method of producing a polypeptide, comprising culturing the recombinant host cell of claim 9 under conditions such that said polypeptide is expressed and recovering said polypeptide.

Claims 11-22 (Cancelled)

23. (Currently amended) A method of inhibiting cell growth *in vitro*, said method comprising transfecting said cell with a polynucleotide, wherein said polynucleotide is between 8 and 50 nucleotides in length and said polynucleotide between 8 and 50 nucleotides ~~are~~ is complementary to a mRNA molecule encoding SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said polynucleotide is unique to Nogo B cDNA.

24. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein said polynucleotide is between about 15 and 25 nucleotides in length.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 23, wherein said polynucleotide is selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:4, SEQ ID NO:5 and SEQ ID NO:6.

Claims 26-37 (Cancelled)

38. (New) A method of making a recombinant vector comprising inserting a nucleic acid molecule of claim 2 into a vector in operable linkage to a promoter.

39. (New) A recombinant vector produced by the method of claim 38.

40. (New) A method of making a recombinant host cell comprising introducing the recombinant vector of claim 39 into a host cell.

41. (New) A recombinant host cell produced by the method of claim 40.

42. (New) A recombinant method of producing a polypeptide, comprising culturing the recombinant host cell of claim 41 under conditions such that said polypeptide is expressed and recovering said polypeptide.